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REMEDIAL WORKSHEET 1

GRADE 8

READING SKILL

1 When the six sheikhdoms (of Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Sharjah, Ajman, Umm Al Quwain and Fujairah) came together on 2nd December 1971, the United Arab Emirates was formed. On 10th February 1972, the seventh sheikhdom, Ras Al Khaimah, joined this federation.

2 The United Arab Emirates share a rich cultural heritage and history. The deserts, oases, mountains and coastline were the reason behind the traditional tribal society. Life in the desert was very difficult and **tribal** members needed to help each other as much as they could to make life easier. This help, which went beyond helping family, was a source of great pride and honour.

3 The Bani Yas tribe was the largest tribal group which inhabited the desert regions of Abu Dhabi and Dubai. For many generations, the tribes of Awami and Manasir, were also found in this area. The lifestyle was nomadic, which meant wandering great distances in tribal groups. In the winter, the tribes would return home to an oasis, because the water helped them **cultivate** exotic date gardens.

4 The date gardens were watered by a falaj. This is a traditional **irrigation** system which brought water from the mountains. This system was used in Al Ain and Ghayl to water the beautiful gardens.

5 The UAE's coastline provided another rich natural **resource**. The Gulf was a valuable source of fish and pearls. New foods and ideas were also brought back by the **dhow**s that crossed the Indian Ocean. (CB.P. 28).

1- Choose the correct answer:

- 1- What is the main idea of the text?
 - a. The traditional life in the UAE.
 - b. The unity of the UAE.
 - c. How people live in the UAE.
- 2- What happened on 2nd December 1971?
 - a. The Bani Yas tribe.
 - b. The UAE was formally established.
 - c. Exotic date gardens.
- 3- What is an oasis?
 - a. Exotic date gardens.
 - b. The gulf.
 - c. A small fertile area in the desert.
- 4- What is the meaning of the word **cultivate** in the third paragraph?
 - a. Land
 - b. Plant
 - c. Give up.
- 5- Where were pearling and fishing practiced?
 - a. The gulf
 - b. Deserts, oasis, mountains & coastline.
 - c. Dhows.

2- Choose true or false:

- 1- The UAE was formed on 10th February 1972.
 - a. True
 - b. false
- 2- The Bani Yas tribe was the largest tribal group which inhabited the desert regions of Abu Dhabi and Dubai.
 - a. True
 - b. false
- 3- The date gardens were watered by a falaj.
 - a. True
 - b. false
- 4- . A falaj was a valuable source of fish and pearls.
 - a. True
 - b. false

5- A falaj is a traditional irrigation system which brought water from the dhows.

a. True

b. false